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Public Works, Bureau of Engineering
Environmental Engineering Group
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RE: Sidewalk Repair Program [ID: 7291] – Draft
Environmental Impact Report (DEIR)
SCH# 2017071063
GTS # 07-LA-2017-03043
Vicinity: City of Los Angeles

Dear Shilpa Gupta:

Thank you for including the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) in the environmental review process for the above referenced project's DEIR. The project proposed a citywide effort to repair and upgrade sidewalks and curb ramps throughout Los Angeles. Existing sidewalks and walkways, and gaps of missing sidewalks, will be repaired or replaced under the proposed project. Street tree removals and replacements, along with utility relocations may be needed.

After reviewing this project's DEIR Caltrans has the following comments:

- During construction and repair of sidewalks please consider widening existing sidewalks and installing parkways whenever possible. Please also consider the addition of bioswales to existing sidewalks and new parkways.
- Before conducting this project please consider coordinating activities with existing Caltrans curb ramp programs. Caltrans recommends the installations of two directional curb ramps at each corner whenever possible.
- Please ensure compliance with all current ADA standards when modifying or constructing curb ramps, driveways and sidewalks.
- On a project to project basis, if construction truck traffic is expected to cause delays on the State facility, please forward a truck/traffic construction management plan to Caltrans for review.
- An encroachment permit will be required for any project on, or in the vicinity of, the Caltrans right of way. Please note that any modifications to the State facility will be subject to additional review by the Office of Permits prior to issuance of the permit.
- Finally, storm water run-off is a sensitive issue for Los Angeles county. Please be mindful that projects should be designed to discharge clean run-off water. Discharge of storm water run-off is not permitted onto State Highway facilities without a storm water management plan.

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If you have any questions regarding these comments, please contact project coordinator Reece Allen, at reece.allen@dot.ca.gov and refer to GTS# 07-LA-2017-03043.

Sincerely,



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